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**Amendments to the Drawings:**

The drawings are objected to under 37 CFR 1.83(a). The drawings must show every feature of the invention specified in the claims. Therefore, "the housing comprises a plurality of the cavities, a second anchor mounted on the second end of the cable, and a second housing, wherein the second anchor is mounted in the second housing, (the limitations above in claims 10, 14-15 and 29)" must be shown or the feature(s) canceled from the claim(s). No new matter should be entered.

Corrected drawing sheets in compliance with 37 CFR 1.121(d) are required in reply to the Office action to avoid abandonment of the application. Any amended replacement drawing sheet should include all of the figures appearing on the immediate prior version of the sheet, even if only one figure is being amended. The figure or figure number of an amended drawing should not be labeled as "amended. If a drawing figure is to be canceled, the appropriate figure must be removed from the replacement sheet, and where necessary, the remaining figures must be renumbered and appropriate changes made to the brief description of the several views of the drawings for consistency. Additional replacement sheets may be necessary to show the renumbering of the remaining figures. The replacement sheet(s) should be labeled "Replacement Sheet" in the page header (as per 37 CFR 1.84(c)) so as not to obstruct any portion of the drawing figures. If the changes are not accepted by the examiner, the applicant will be notified and informed of any required corrective action in the next Office action. The objection to the drawings will not be held in abeyance.

Applicant hereby cancels claims 10, 14-15 and 29.

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REMARKS

Claims 1 to 35 are pending. Claims 1-6, 10-23, 26-35 have been rejected. Claims 7-9, 24 and 25 are objected to. Claims 1, 18, and 31 are amended. Claims 2, 7, 10, 14, 15, 19, 24, and 29 are hereby cancelled. The specification is amended at p. 8, line 26 to correct a typographical error. The change is supported, e.g., by Fig. 4.

Objections

Claims 7-9 and 24-25 are objected to as being dependent upon a rejection base claim, but would be allowable if rewritten in independent form including all of the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims.

Applicant has amended claim 1 to include the limitations of claim 7 and intervening claim 2. Applicant has amended claim 18 to include the limitations of claim 24 and intervening claim 19.

Accordingly, Applicant submits that the objections should be withdrawn.

§ 112 Rejections

Claims 14-15 and 29 stand rejected under 35 USC § 112, first paragraph, as failing to comply with the written description requirement.

The Office Action states in part:

The Claim(s) contains subject matter which was not described in the specification in such a way as to reasonably convey to one skilled in the relevant art that the inventor(s), at the time the application was filed, had possession of the claimed invention.

The limitations: a second anchor and a second housing are not described in the specification.

Applicant has cancelled claims 14-15 and 29.

Based on the foregoing, Applicant submits the rejection of claims 14-15 and 29 under 35 USC § 112, first paragraph, should be withdrawn.

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**§ 102 Rejections**

Claims 1-2 and 10 stand rejected under 35 USC § 102(b) as being anticipated by Corke et al (4,948,222).

Applicant has amended claim 1 in response to the objections, above. Accordingly, this rejection is moot. Applicant reserves their right to traverse, and argue against, this rejection if it is raised in future prosecution proceedings.

Claims 1-6, 11-13, 16-23, 26-28 and 30-35 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(b) as being anticipated by Abendschein et al. (4,795,229).

Applicant has amended claims 1 and 18 in response to the objections, above. Applicant has also amended claim 31 in the same manner. Accordingly, this rejection is moot. Applicant reserves their right to traverse, and argue against, this rejection if it is raised in future prosecution proceedings.

Based on the foregoing, it is submitted that the application is in condition for allowance. Examination and reconsideration of the claims are requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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